## In the Specification:

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at Page 1, line 20 with the following rewritten replacement paragraph:

- -- In order to be able to give the folding curtains a high quality, a few things are important: -tunnels stitched in straight lines;
- -the possibility to remove the strengthening rods (baleens) from the curtains easily, so that they may be cleaned;
- -strengthening rods ensuring a constant tension, so that the curtains will get a nice and straight aspect.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at Page 6, line 27 with the following rewritten replacement paragraph:

-- The strengthening rods (3), made of <u>fiberglass glass fibre</u>, for instance, are made somewhat shorter than the width of the folding curtain (1) and they are provided with a terminal element (5), at the extremity of the tunnel not closed by stitching.--

Kindly replace the paragraph beginning at Page 8, line 22 with the following rewritten replacement paragraph:

-- An additional advantage of the terminal element (5) lies in the fact that the spring (7) will maintain a constant pressure tension on the folding curtain.--

Kindly replace the second to last paragraph on Page 2 with the following rewritten replacement paragraph:

--The purpose of the invention is attained by providing a method for closing at least one tunnel extending across the width of a folding curtain, after a strengthening rod has been provided in this tunnel, whereby a strengthening rod being is provided in the tunnel that at least at one extremity of which is comprising comprises a number of pointed projections, and that the tunnel being is closed by pricking the said projections through the wall of the tunnel.--